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### **Award-Winning Special Traffic Operations**

The 90th annual Academy Awards took place on Sunday, March 4, at Hollywood's Dolby Theatre, with 33 Special Traffic Operations team members supporting this event. 702 signs were placed around the Hollywood area. Special recognition goes to Transportation Engineering Associate II Armen Kamyshyan for planning, coordinating, and facilitating the event.

Parking Enforcement and Traffic Control provided services from February 21-March 5 for pre-event, day of event, and post-event. They deployed a total of 26 Supervisors and 161 Traffic Officers. Special recognition goes to Captain R.C. Smith, who served as the lead Officer In Charge for the event scheduling, staff deployment, and operational decisions.

### **Metro Hosts Meetings: West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor Project**

Metro is hosting upcoming meetings for their West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor Project. The Community Meetings Update will take place on March 12, 13, 17 and 19. For an added convenience, the meeting on Tuesday, March 13 will also be broadcasted via a live webcast starting at 6:30 pm. For details on these meetings, click [here](#).

### **Who We Are: Jeffrey Xu**

Jeffrey Xu is a Transportation Engineering Associate III working in the ATSAC Operations Division. With the value of creating a safe and healthy community in mind, Jeffrey manages the traffic signal operations for five Council Districts by working closely with Council Offices, Engineering Districts, and the constituents to address signal timing related concerns. In addition, when collaborating with Metro Project, B-Permit, and Vision Zero groups on delivering projects, Jeffrey designs signal timing plans and implements innovative mobility solutions to achieve on-time, on-budget, goal-focused delivery of city-wide projects.

"It is an exceptional experience to serve the department effectively by enhancing my project management and leadership skills. It is a pleasure working at LADOT because the department has created an innovative culture where employees can work in various sustainable projects collaboratively and experimentally."

The Figueroa Corridor Streetscape project, also known as the MyFigueroa project, is one of many projects which he is proudly working on. As the lead signal timing engineer, Jeffrey designs complex timing charts that incorporate multi-road use for pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, and vehicular drivers. He has also been heavily involved in the Vision Zero Prioritized Corridors Project - successfully piloting various signal timing strategies in the 40 prioritized corridors, including the Nighttime Yellow Flashing Operation and Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI).

"I am proud to work in such environment to achieve the department's goals in a creative manner."

Recently, Jeffrey filled in as an Acting Transportation Engineer in ATSAC Operations for 13 months offering professional development and personal growth.

### **Our Streets are Springing Forward this Week, Too!**

As we set our clocks forward on Sunday, LADOT is excited to enjoy more LA sunshine in our evenings..... and to celebrate the great progress our crews are making along Spring Street, the current focus of construction. Angelenos will start to see new poles installed along the corridor this month, in preparation for the addition of new vehicular and bicycle signals that will make intersections safer and more organized for people walking, bicycling, and driving.

Don't forget to check the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors! #SpringForward #SpringIntoAction

### **Come Walk with Safe Routes to School!**

This month, join Safe Routes to School on walks in your school neighborhood to identify barriers and challenges for students walking and biking safely to and from school. SRTS is a partnership between LADOT and the Los Angeles Unified School District. For more information on the upcoming walking safety assessments, please visit [here](#).



### **Los Angeles Walks Honors LADOT Engineer Tim Fremaux**

On March 4, [Los Angeles Walks](#) honored LADOT Transportation Engineer Tim Fremaux with a Charles Lummis Political Leader for Walking award. Los Angeles Walks recognized Fremaux for his 17-year career at LADOT working on countless transportation projects centered on the concept that

streets should be designed around people.

Los Angeles Walks specifically highlighted Fremaux's role in shepherding the MyFigueroa project from conceptual design to final design, as well as his leadership and track record developing and delivering Vision Zero safety projects. Fremaux's recognition came during Los Angeles Walks' March Forth celebration, an annual recognition and promotion of safe, accessible, fun, and equitable walking for all in Los Angeles. Congratulations, Tim!

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